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**STRAFFORD COUNTY CORRECTIONAL OFFICER CHARGED  
WITH FEDERAL DRUG OFFENSE**

**Re: United States v. John TEVES**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** -- United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Attorney General Kelly Ayotte, June Stansbury, Special Agent in Charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration's Boston Field Office, and N.H. State Police Colonel Frederick Booth announce that John TEVES, 28, of Sanbornville, New Hampshire, a Correctional Officer at the Strafford County House of Corrections, was arrested on the charge of Possession with intent to distribute controlled substances.

TEVES appeared in the U.S. District Court before U.S. District Judge Steven J. MaAuliffe, who released him pending indictment and trial subject to behavioral conditions to be monitored and enforced by the United States Probation Office. TEVES faces a maximum term of imprisonment of 20 years.

An affidavit by DEA Special Agent Todd Prough, in support of a Criminal Complaint issued by Judge MaAuliffe, alleges that TEVES accepted delivery of 100 Oxycodone tablets from an undercover DEA agent, and agreed to smuggle a quantity of them into the Strafford County House of Corrections for an inmate there.

The charges resulted from an investigation conducted by the N.H. State Police, the N.H. Drug Task Force, and DEA. The prosecution is being handled by First Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante, the Lead Attorney for the District of New Hampshire in the New England Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force ("New England OCDETF") and Assistant United States Attorney Terry Olilla.

A Criminal Complaint is only an allegation and not proof of criminal conduct. As in all criminal cases, each defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.